Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Extreme dry conditions, high temperatures and dense undergrowth have created a serious fire hazard within the southern Black Hills Fire Protection District; and,

WHEREAS, Fire conditions presently existing in the Battle Mountain region of Fall River County have created a threat to life and property; and,

WHEREAS, State, local and federal government resources are required to contain and control the Battle Mountain fire:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, under provision of SDCL 33-15-8, otherwise known as the Emergency and Disaster Service Law, do hereby declare a state of emergency to exist in Fall River County and the Black Hills Fire Protection District, and authorize such functions of State Government as necessary to effect the relief and assistance needed. The direction and control of required state resources shall be the responsibility of the Secretaries of the Departments of Agriculture and Military and Veterans Affairs.

IT IS FURTHER DECLARED that the fire hazard incident period shall begin July 20, 1987, and terminate at such time as determined by the Secretaries of the Departments of Agriculture and Military and Veterans Affairs.

IT IS FURTHER DECLARED that the resources available from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, under the provision for incident fires, will be requested to assist in the Battle Mountain fire operation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-second Day of July, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Seven

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOYCE HAZELTINE, SECRETARY OF STATE